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Docket No.: 67161-129

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Mitsuya KINOSHITA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7788
Application No.: 10/706,964 : Group Art Unit: 2818
Filed: November 14, 2003 : Examiner:
For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE HAVING SELF-PRECHARGE FUNCTION

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 23, 2004. The Notice indicates the preliminary amendment filed on November 14, 2003 is non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements – a complete listing of all of the claims is not present and claims 8 and 9 have no text or status identifier. **No Preliminary Amendment was filed in this application. Therefore it is believed that this Notice was been mailed in error.**

We contacted Ms. Logan on September 29, 2004 and she indicated she would check on this and return our call. We have made subsequent phone calls, but received no reply.

It is therefore believed that the application was complete as filed and the Notice was mailed in error. However, if anything further is needed, please contact the undersigned immediately.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including

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extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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